

State Representative Lois Landgraf



Like last year, the 2014 Legislative Session was characterized by many party-line votes as Democrats continued to wage their War on Rural Colorado and force their liberal agenda on Colorado. While guns, renewable energy mandates, and elections were some of the big issues last year; this year included many long debates on issues including water rights, recall elections, and oil & gas.

Nonetheless, House Republicans had a number of victories this year including the passage of important measures that increase public safety for all Colorado families. Another great victory was showing, as we argued was possible when opposing Amendment 66 last Fall, that we could make substantial investments in K-12 education without a \$1 billion tax increase.

House Republicans will continue to focus on providing the best education possible for our children, encouraging economic growth for all of Colorado, and ensuring the public safety of all Coloradans. We understand that our work at the legislature is never finished and we will continue *listening to Colorado*.

PROPOSALS SPONSORED BY REP. LOIS LANDGRAF, HOUSE DISTRICT 21

2014 Legislative Session, January 8 — May 7, 2014

- ◆ **HB 1022 Child Care Assistance Authorization Period** – Clarifies that the duration of a family's child care authorization is the same as the period for which the child's family is eligible for child care assistance. *Signed by Governor.*
- ◆ **HB 1037 Enforcing Laws Against Designer Drugs** – Creates civil penalties to distribute, dispense, manufacture, or sell a product containing any amount of synthetic cannabinoid (also known as Spice). *Awaiting Action by Governor.*
- ◆ **HB 1051 Developmental Disability Services Strategic Plan** - Requires that the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing develop a strategic plan to provide services to all eligible persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities. *Signed by Governor.*
- ◆ **HB 1162 Protect Rape Victim Where Child Conceived** - Implements additional recommendations from the task force created to study issues concerning children conceived through sexual assault. *Awaiting Action by Governor.*

"Although I am proud of every bill I sponsored this session, my favorite is HB 1037 which imposes more stringent penalties on sellers of "Spice" a so-called designer drug. Spice is causing real harm among our kids. This bill provides law enforcement with better tools to control it, if not eradicate it. Other states have taken note of our efforts here and are copying HB 1037. Saying "if it saves one life" has almost become trite these days, but I believe this may save many lives."

